

# State of Washington REPORT OF EXAMINATION FOR WATER RIGHT CHANGE

PRIORITY DATE

March 26, 1986

WATER RIGHT NUMBER

S3-28153

**MAILING ADDRESS** 

LENORA SEWER & WATER DISTRICT

PO Box 297

Usk, WA 99181

SITE ADDRESS (IF DIFFERENT) 1091 LENORA ROAD

USK, WA 99180

**Total Quantity Authorized for Diversion** 

**DIVERSION RATE** 

UNITS CFS

ANNUAL QUANTITY (AF/YR)

10

**Purpose** 

0.10

**DIVERSION RATE** 

ANNUAL QUANTITY (AF/YR)

PERIOD OF USE

**PURPOSE** 

ADDITIVE NON-ADDITIVE UNITS

ADDITIVE

**NON-ADDITIVE** 

(mm/dd)

Irrigation

0.10

**CFS** 

04/1-10/1

10

**PUBLIC WATER SYSTEM INFORMATION** 

ADDITIVE

5

**NON-ADDITIVE** 

IRRIGATED ACRES

WATER SYSTEM ID

CONNECTIONS

NA

NA

**Source Limitations** 

SOURCE

**DIVERSION RATE** 

ANNUAL QUANTITY (AF/YR)

PERIOD OF USE

PEND OREILLE RIVER

0.10 CFS

10

(mm/dd) 04/1-10/1

A|S: A=Alternate; S=Standby/Reserve

**Source Location** 

COUNTY

WATERBODY

TRIBUTARY TO

WATER RESOURCE INVENTORY AREA

PEND OREILLE

PEND OREILLE RIVER

**COLUMBIA RIVER** 

**62-PEND OREILLE** 

SOURCE FACILITY/DEVICE PARCEL

TWP

RNG SEC 04

SW1/4SE1/4

LATITUDE

LONGITUDE

PEND OREILLE RIVER

443204530008

32 N. 44 E. QQ

48.29602°N

-117.25086°W

Datum: WGS84

#### Place of Use (See Attached Map)

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF AUTHORIZED PLACE OF USE

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### **Proposed Works**

Surface water pump, irrigation system

#### **Development Schedule**

**BEGIN PROJECT** 

COMPLETE PROJECT

PUT WATER TO FULL USE August 1, 2017

Begun

August 1, 2016

### **Measurement of Water Use**

How often must water use be measured?

How often must data be reported to Ecology?

What volume should be reported?

What rate should be reported?

Bi-weekly means every two weeks

Bi-weekly

Upon Request by Ecology

**Total Annual Volume** 

Annual Peak Rate of Withdrawal (cfs)

### **Provisions**

### Measurements, Monitoring, Metering and Reporting

An approved measuring device must be installed and maintained for each of the sources identified by this water right in accordance with the rule "Requirements for Measuring and Reporting Water Use", WAC 173-173, which describes the requirements for data accuracy, device installation and operation, and information reporting. It also allows a water user to petition the Department of Ecology for modifications to some of the requirements.

# Department of Fish and Wildlife Requirement(s)

The intake(s) must be screened in accordance with Department of Fish and Wildlife screening criteria (pursuant to RCW 77.57.010, RCW 77.57.070, and RCW 77.57.040). Contact the Department of Fish and Wildlife, 600 Capitol Way N, Olympia, WA 98501-1091. Attention: Habitat Program, Phone: (360) 902-2534 if you have questions about screening criteria. http://wdfw.wa.gov/about/contact/

#### Water Use Efficiency

The water right holder is required to maintain efficient water delivery systems and use of up-to-date water conservation practices consistent with RCW 90.03.005.

#### **Proof of Appropriation**

The water right holder must file the notice of Proof of Appropriation of water (under which the certificate of water right is issued) when the permanent distribution system has been constructed and the quantity of water required by the project has been put to full beneficial use. The certificate will reflect the extent of the project perfected within the limitations of the water right. Elements of a proof inspection may include, as appropriate, the source(s), system instantaneous capacity, beneficial use(s), annual quantity, place of use, and satisfaction of provisions.

#### Schedule and Inspections

Department of Ecology personnel, upon presentation of proper credentials, will have access at reasonable times, to the project location, and to inspect at reasonable times, records of water use, wells, diversions, measuring devices and associated distribution systems for compliance with water law.

#### **Real Estate Excise Tax**

This decision may indicate a Real Estate Excise Tax liability for the seller of water rights. The Department of Revenue has requested notification of potentially taxable water right related actions, and therefore will be given notice of this decision, including document copies. Please contact the state Department of Revenue to obtain specific requirements for your project. Phone: (360) 570-3265. The mailing address

is: Department of Revenue, Real Estate Excise Tax, PO Box 47477, Olympia WA 98504-7477 Internet: http://dor.wa.gov/. E-mail: REETSP@DOR.WA.GOV.

### **Findings of Facts**

Upon reviewing the investigator's report, I find all facts, relevant and material to the subject application, have been thoroughly investigated. Furthermore, I concur with the investigator that water is available from the source in question; that there will be no impairment of existing rights; that the purpose(s) of use are beneficial; and that there will be no detriment to the public interest.

Therefore, I ORDER approval of Application No. CS3-28153, subject to existing rights and the provisions specified above.

# Your Right To Appeal

You have a right to appeal this Order to the Pollution Control Hearings Board (PCHB) within 30 days of the date of receipt of this Order. The appeal process is governed by Chapter 43.21B RCW and Chapter 371-08 WAC. "Date of receipt" is defined in RCW 43.21B.001(2).

To appeal you must do the following within 30 days of the date of receipt of the Order.

File your appeal and a copy of this Order with the PCHB (see addresses below). Filing means actual receipt by the PCHB during regular business hours.

- Serve a copy of your appeal and this Order on Ecology in paper form by mail or in person. (See addresses below.) E-mail is not accepted.
- You must also comply with other applicable requirements in Chapter 43.21B RCW and Chapter 371-08 WAC.

Street Addresses	Mailing Addresses
Department of Ecology	Department of Ecology
Attn: Appeals Processing Desk	Attn: Appeals Processing Desk
300 Desmond Drive SE	PO Box 47608
Lacey, WA 98503	Olympia, WA 98504-7608
Pollution Control Hearings Board	Pollution Control Hearings Board
1111 Israel Road SW Ste 301	PO Box 40903
Tumwater, WA 98501	Olympia, WA 98504-0903

Signed at Spokane, Washington, this 13th day of August, 2014.

Keith L. Stoffel, Section Manager

For additional information visit the Environmental Hearings Office Website: http://www.eho.wa.gov. To find laws and agency rules visit the Washington State Legislature Website: http://www1.leg.wa.gov/CodeReviser.

INVESTIGATOR'S REPORT Gene Drury, Department of Ecology Water Right Control Number CS3-28153C

# **BACKGROUND**

This report serves as the written findings of fact concerning Water Right Application Number CS3-28153C.

**EXISTING Water Right Attributes** 

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Recorded Name:	Softball Unlimited, Inc.						
Priority Date:	March 26, 1986						
Place of Use	See Legal Description on Certificate						

County	Waterbody	Tributary To	WRIA
Pend Oreille	Pend Oreille River	Columbia River	62-Pend Oreille

Purpose	Rate	Unit	Ac-ft/yr	Begin Season	End Season
Irrigation	0.10	CFS	10	04/01	10/01

Source Name	Parcel	Twp	Rng	Sec	QQ	Latitude	Longitude
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**REQUESTED Water Right Attributes** 

Applicant Name:	Lenora Sewer & Water District						
Date of Application:	October 1, 2007						
Place of Use	See Legal Description for 5A, 5B, 5C, 5D, 5E, 6						

County Waterbody		Tributary To	WRIA	
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#### Public Notice

RCW 90.03.280 requires that notice of a water right application be published once a week, for two consecutive weeks, in a newspaper of general circulation in the county or counties where the water is to be stored, diverted and used. Notice of this application was published in The Newport Miner on December 5 and 12, 2007.

### State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA)

A water right application is subject to a SEPA threshold determination (i.e., an evaluation whether there are likely to be significant adverse environmental impacts) if any one of the following conditions are met.

- (a) It is a surface water right application for more than 1 cubic foot per second, unless that project is for agricultural irrigation, in which case the threshold is increased to 50 cubic feet per second, so long as that irrigation project will not receive public subsidies;
- (b) It is a groundwater right application for more than 2,250 gallons per minute;
- (c) It is an application that, in combination with other water right applications for the same project, collectively exceed the amounts above;
- (d) It is a part of a larger proposal that is subject to SEPA for other reasons (e.g., the need to obtain other permits that are not exempt from SEPA);
- (e) It is part of a series of exempt actions that, together, trigger the need to do a threshold determination, as defined under WAC 197-11-305.

Because this application does not meet any of these conditions, it is categorically exempt from SEPA and a threshold determination is not required.

### INVESTIGATION

A field investigation was originally conducted by Gene Drury with Steve Shaw, John Sitton, Dick Johnson on April 28, 2009. This project is located in Pend Oreille County just south of Usk, WA on the eastside of the Pend Oreille River. Lenora Water & Sewer District (LWSD) has filed an application under S3-28153C to change the place of use. Additional information was provided later in emails and telephone conversations with Bart North, a consultant for Lenora Water & Sewer District.

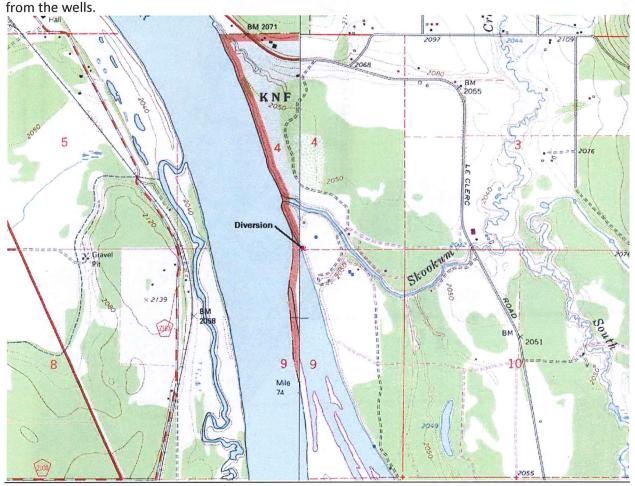
#### Water Use

Surface Water Certificate No. S3-28153C was issued to Softball Unlimited, Inc. November 10, 1989 with a priority date of March 26, 1986. This certificate authorized diversion from the Pend Oreille River in the amounts of 0.10 cubic foot per second; 10 acre-feet per year for the irrigation of 5 acres, from April 1 to October 1, each year. This right was perfected and used for irrigation for the above quantities within Camelot Shores RV Park within portions of Sections 4 and 9 of Township 32 N., Range 44 E.W.M. in Pend Oreille County. The water was used for a sports recreational complex at this location. LWSD now operates this system and has been using the surface water for irrigation and landscaping throughout the boundaries of the LWSD. A legal description of this area was provided by LWSD. Water is diverted from the Pend Oreille River using a 15 horsepower pump within the SW1/4SE1/4 of Sec. 4, T. 32 N., R. 44 E.W.M. S3-28153C authorizes 45 gallons per minute (or 0.1 cfs) to be diverted. On the date of examination, the pump was running 217 gpm which exceeds the water right. LWSD will need to reduce the pumping to

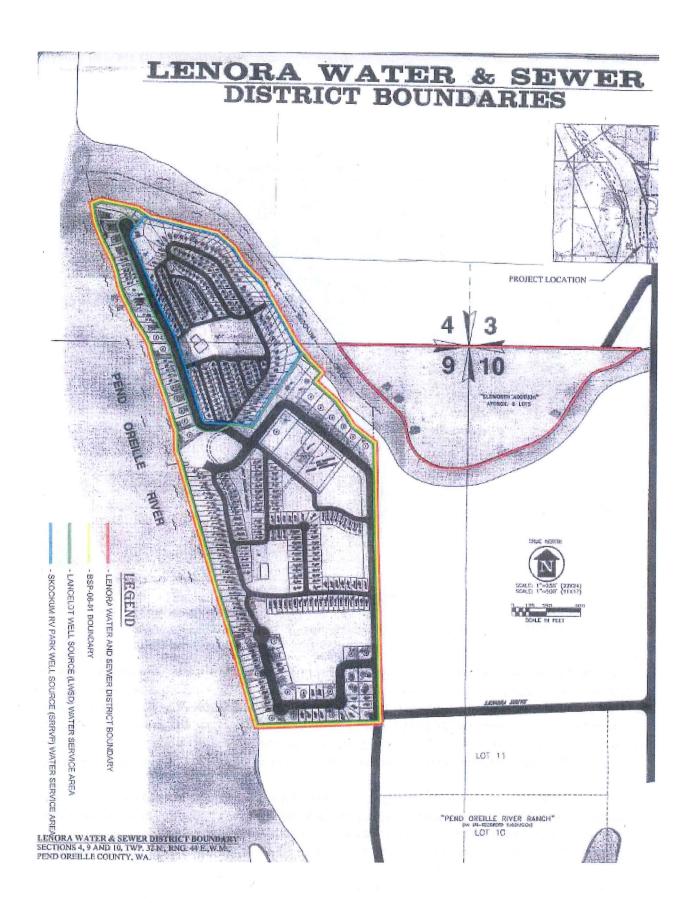
the authorized quantity from the river. There was no storage reservoir for the irrigation water. A second 15 hp pump is used for emergency fire protection under Surface Water Permit No. S3-29476P.

Certificate S3-28153C was incorrectly issued as a "Family Farm Permit" even though no agricultural lands were ever irrigated within the place of use. The Report of Examination clearly stated that this project was originally intended for sports/recreational facility grounds and that is what was perfected. Based on this, the provision on this right classifying it as a "Family Farm" will be removed.

LWSD also provides ground water from wells to approximately 245 connections consisting of 224 RV pads, 20 residences and 1 clubhouse. According to the Water System Plan's 20 year projection, LWSD expects the number of connections to increase to 417 consisting of 385 RV pads, 30 residences and 2 clubhouses including Skookum Rendezvous RV Park (SRRVP). LWSD intends to serve municipal water to the SRRVP by integrating the existing wells and adding one new well (Lancelot Well #2). According to the water system plan, water use has averaged around eight acre-feet per year for the existing uses



USGS 7.5 Minute (Topographic Map) - "Skookum Creek"



# Other Rights Appurtenant to the Place of Use

The water rights appurtenant to this project:

**Ground Water Certificate Number G3-28181C** 

Recorded Name:

Softball Unlimited, Inc.

**Priority Date:** 

June 24, 1986

Instantaneous Quantity - Qi: Annual Quantity - Qa:

13 gallons per minute 20 acre-feet per year

Purpose of Use:

Domestic supply for recreational facility

Period of Use:

Continuous

Source:

A well

### **Ground Water Permit Number G3-28732P**

Recorded Name:

Lenora Sewer & Water District

Priority Date:

January 30, 1990

Instantaneous Quantity - Qi:

120 gallons per minute 20 acre-feet per year

Annual Quantity - Qa: Purpose of Use:

Domestic supply of 20 units

Period of Use:

Continuous

Source:

A well

# Surface Water Permit Number S3-29476P

Recorded Name:

Lenora Sewer & Water District

**Priority Date:** 

May 21, 1993

Instantaneous Quantity - Qi:

1.0 cubic foot per second

Annual Quantity - Qa:

0 acre-feet per year

Purpose of Use:

Emergency fire protection

Period of Use:

As needed

Source:

Pend Oreille River

#### Hydrologic/Hydrogeologic Evaluation

There are no hydrogeologic concerns with this change.

### **Impairment Considerations**

"Impair" or "impairment" means to: 1) adversely impact the physical availability of water for a beneficial use that is entitled to protection, and/or 2) to prevent the beneficial use of the water to which one is entitled, and/or 3) to adversely affect the flow of a surface water course at a time when the flows are at or below instream flow levels established by rule (POL-1200), and/or 4) degrade the quality of the source to the point that water is unsuitable for use by existing water right holders (WAC 173-150). Demonstration of impairment would require evidence of a substantial and lasting or frequent impact reflecting such conditions.

The existing point of diversion is from Pend Oreille River and has been in use for nearly 30 years with no complaints of impairment. No water is authorized to be diverted above what has been historically used, and it is not anticipated that the proposed change would cause impairment to existing water rights.

#### **Enhancement Considerations**

The proposed change will not increase the amount of water, nor will it increase or expand the right. No diversion of water over and above what has been historically authorized would be approved through this change.

#### Conclusions

There is a water right available for change under Surface Water Certificate No. S3-28153C in the amount of 0.10 cubic foot per second, 10 acre-feet per year, from April 1, to October 1, each year for the seasonal irrigation of 5 acres.

It is the conclusion of this examiner that, in accordance with Chapters 90.03, this application to change the place of use, as granted under Surface Water Certificate No. S3-28153C will not enlarge the quantity of water historically used nor will it impair existing rights provided the recommendations are followed.

# RECOMMENDATIONS

Based on the above investigation and conclusions, I recommend that the request for change be authorized in the amounts and within the limitations listed below and subject to the provisions beginning on Page 2.

The amount of water recommended is a maximum limit and the water user may only use that amount of water within the specified limit that is reasonable and beneficial:

#### Quantity:

0.10 cubic feet per second10 acre-feet per year

### Purpose of Use:

Irrigation of 5 acres from April 1 to October 1, each year

# Point of Diversion:

SOURCE	TWP	RNG	SEC	QQ	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE
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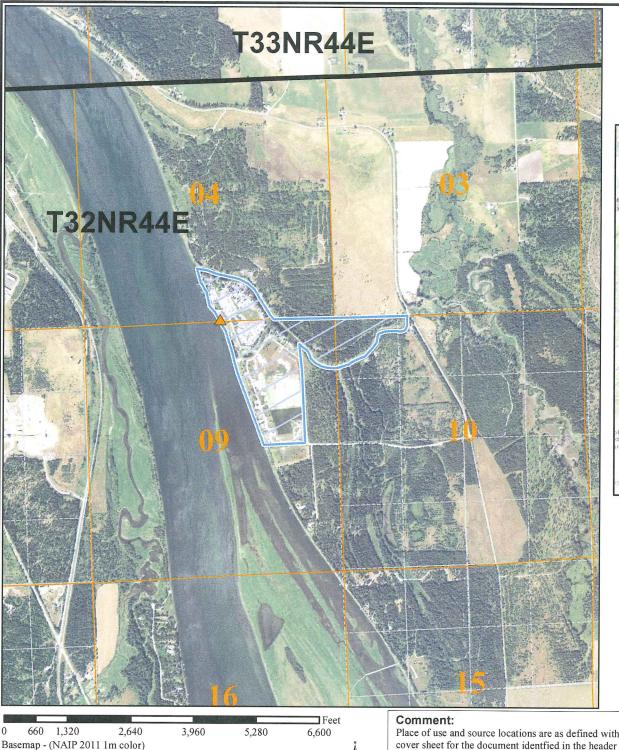
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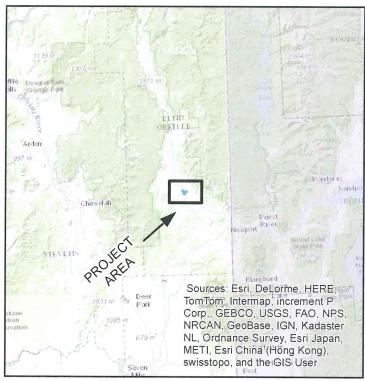
Gene Drury, Report Writer

8-13-14

Date



Lenora Water & Sewer District S3-28153C T34N/R44E



Legend

Basemap - (ESRI US Topographic Maps)

**Authorized Place of Use** 

Townships Sections

**Authorized Point of Withdrawl** 

**Authorized Point of Diversion** 

**ECOLOGY** 

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